

## January 2001

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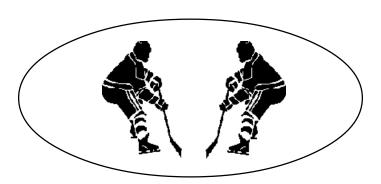


### Hip Hop Dance

Do you wanna dance? On January 13th the Parks and Recreation Department will start its third session of the Hip-Hop Dance Classes. Lindsey Greer, a member of the High School Dance group at Fountain Hills High School, teaches these classes. She will teach the latest moves that her group is learning at her high school. Classes are split into two different age groups; one for grades 1-4 and one for grades 5-8. The classes are held at the high school dance room, which is located at the gymnasium. The classes run from 12-1 p.m. and 1-2 p.m., with the youngest group starting at 12:00. Registrations are being taken at Town Hall in Building A. The cost is only \$24 per participant. Don't miss your chance to be a part of the most popular dance class in Fountain Hills! For more information call Corey at 816-5170.

#### Let's go Coyotes

Have you ever seen #97 Jeremy Roenick skate circles around his opponents? Imagine Captain Coyote, Keith Tkachuk, blasting a one-timer top shelf past the other team's goalie. If these images don't spark your curiosity try to picture Mario Lemieux, one of the game's all-time greatest players, lacing up his skates in a dramatic return to the game that he once dominated! If you join the Parks and Recreation Department on Wednesday, January 17th you won't have to imagine, you will see it all for yourself! The Pittsburgh Penguins are in town for the only time this year, and we would like to take you there. Register early at Town Hall, Building A, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. The cost is only \$10, with registration being open to students in grades 6-12. Don't miss the opportunity to witness the coolest game on ice! For more information call Corey at 816-5170.



Check out the Parks and Rec Website at www.ci.fountain-hills.az.us/ParksRec/index.htm

#### Business in Beantown

Last December some members of the Mayor's Youth Council went on a trip to Boston, Massachusetts to attend the National League of Cities Congress of Cities Conference. The conference was held December 5-10, 2000 and was attended by more than 200 youth delegates from around the country. There were many Mayors and Council members in attendance also, with the major focus of the discussions and workshops being on families and youth. There was a Youth Delegates Forum that our MYC officers attended and participated in. The discussion topics dealt with diversity, youth involvement, youth violence and guidance or services. The members of the Mayor's Youth Council who attended this conference made a presentation to the Mayor and Town Council on December 21st, and are scheduled to do the same for the Parks and Recreation Commission on January 8th. The meeting is open to the public. So if you would like to hear more please attend. Otherwise you are welcome to attend the first MYC meeting in January on the 10th at 2:30 in the Lecture Hall at Fountain Hills High School. For more information call Corey at 816-5170.



## Youth Wrestling

This program teaches kids the basic skills necessary to become a competitive wrestler. Dan Kauffman an accomplished wrestler and coach, will help teach kids the proper techniques and skills, as well as promote the sport.

Where: Fountain Hills Charter School

Gymnasium

Dates: January 18 - April 12, 2001

Times: Thursday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to

6:30 p.m.

Ages: All ages

Fee: \$20 per participant Instructor: Dan Kauffman

Contact: Brent Bitterman, 480-816-5142

#### Falcons Lacrosse

The Fountain Hills Lacrosse teams are looking for some new members to join their teams. Lacrosse is an exciting sport being played all over the state and across the country! The Falcons Lacrosse teams are open to boys and girls in junior high and high school. Practices are held every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 2-4 p.m. Practices held during the week take place at Four Peaks South field, while weekend practices are held at Desert Vista Neighborhood Park.

The team is coached by Scott Milligan, and is getting ready for its first game of the season on January 25<sup>th</sup>. The cost to play ranges from \$40-\$50, with additional fees to cover insurance and equipment. The team is currently a member of the Arizona Youth Lacrosse League. Anyone interested in coaching should contact Scott at 480-551-7139 or Mary Stauber at 480-816-5501. Don't miss your opportunity to play the fastest game in Town.



















#### **MYC Update**

By Tricia Severson

December was a big month for the Mayor's Youth Council. Our four fearless officers braved freezing cold temperatures and a 5 hour plane ride to attend the National League of Cities Conference in Boston, Massachusetts. Once there we attended many sessions with many wonderful speakers. We even saw Ted Kennedy and the original coaches from the movie, Remember the Titans.

The most informative part of the conference was the Youth Forum we attended Friday afternoon. We broke into small groups there to discuss the topics of violence, guidance, youth involvement and diversity. We exchanged ideas with the other youth delegates representing places like Farmington Hills, Michigan and Tulutha, Oregon. We shared what our council was about and what activities we do. This forum gave us some great ideas about what other towns are doing and how their ideas can help us. We got many great ideas that can help us gain support for our own Teen Center, improve guidance at our schools and avoid violence amongst our youth.

Last December we also helped to raise money to support the Maricopa Medical Center, and the children's playroom they are working to build. This money will be given to the Center when we go to the hospital and visit the kids on January 17th. Finally, we assisted the Chamber of Commerce by folding 1000 paper bags for the Luminaria. The lighting of the Luminaria took place December 22-24, 2000.

In our last December meeting it was announced that Kenneth Hansen, who attends Faith Mountain Christian Center, was selected as the MYC Member of the Month for November. Congratulations Kenneth!

#### **Coming Events**

There is always a number of programs looming in the near future that are sure to be of interest to the youth of Fountain Hills. Here is a short list of what is to come in the next couple months.

Youth Basketball Practices Begin 1/22/01 MYC Meeting - Open to Public 1/10/01 Pro Sports Excursion - Coyotes game 1/17/01

If you have any suggestions for future programs, please email Corey at chromek@ci.fountain-hills.az.us.



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